

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20530

SUPPLEMENTAL STATEMENT

Pursuant to Section 2 of the Foreign Agents
Registration Act of 1938, as Amended

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REGISTRATION UNIT
CRIMINAL DIVISION

For Six Month Period Ending JUN 17 1977
(Insert date)

Name of Registrant

Belgian National Tourist Office

Registration No.

529

Business Address of Registrant

720 Fifth Avenue

New York, N. Y. 10019

I - REGISTRANT

1. Has there been a change in the information previously furnished in connection with the following:

(a) If an individual:

(1) Residence address

Yes ☐

No ☐

(2) Citizenship

Yes ☐

No ☐

(3) Occupation

Yes ☐

No ☐

(b) If an organization:

(1) Name

Yes ☐

No ☒

(2) Ownership or control

Yes ☐

No ☒

(3) Branch offices

Yes ☐

No ☒

2. Explain fully all changes, if any, indicated in Item 1.

IF THE REGISTRANT IS AN INDIVIDUAL, OMIT RESPONSE TO ITEMS 3, 4, and 5.

3. Have any persons ceased acting as partners, officers, directors or similar officials of the registrant during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name

Position

Date Connection
Ended

4. Have any persons become partners, officers, directors or similar officials during this 6 month reporting period? ☒ Yes No ☐

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Residence Address	Citizenship	Position	Date Assumed
Frédérique Raeymaekers	580 Main Street NYC 10044	Belgian	Asst. Director	May, 1977

5. Has any person named in Item 4 rendered services directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, identify each such person and describe his services.

Frédérique Raeymaekers. Assists in supervising promotion of travel to Belgium from the United States, including dissemination of information about tourist attractions in Belgium, and participation in seminars, trade shows, film presentations, etc.

6. Have any employees or individuals other than officials, who have filed a short form registration statement, terminated their employment or connection with the registrant during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position or connection	Date terminated
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7. During this 6 month reporting period, have any persons been hired as employees or in any other capacity by the registrant who rendered services to the registrant directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal in other than a clerical or secretarial, or in a related or similar capacity? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Residence Address	Position or connection	Date connection began
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II - FOREIGN PRINCIPAL

8. Has your connection with any foreign principal ended during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name of foreign principal

Date of Termination

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9. Have you acquired any new foreign principal¹ during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish following information:

Name and address of foreign principal

Date acquired

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10. In addition to those named in Items 8 and 9, if any, list the foreign principals¹ whom you continued to represent during the 6 month reporting period.

Commissariat Général au Tourisme (Belgian National Tourist Office)
in Brussels, Belgium, which is under the jurisdiction of the
Ministry of Transport, Brussels, Belgium.

III - ACTIVITIES

11. During this 6 month reporting period, have you engaged in any activities for or rendered any services to any foreign principal named in Items 8, 9, and 10 of this statement? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, identify each such foreign principal and describe in full detail your activities and services:

On behalf of both, dissemination by mail, phone and verbally of information concerning travel to and in Belgium. Distribution of new printed matter is indicated on the attached list (Attachment #1). Exhibits are being forwarded to you separately. Said material is listed on attached sheet (Attachment #2), together with respective quantities made available. Representation at various events is listed on attached sheet (Attachment #3).

¹ The term "foreign principal" includes, in addition to those defined in section 1(b) of the Act, an individual or organization any of whose activities are directly or indirectly supervised, directed, controlled, financed, or subsidized in whole or in major part by a foreign government, foreign political party, foreign organization or foreign individual. (See Rule 100(a)(9)).

A registrant who represents more than one foreign principal is required to list in the statements he files under the Act only those foreign principals for whom he is not entitled to claim exemption under Section 3 of the Act. (See Rule 208.)

12. During this 6 month reporting period, have you on behalf of any foreign principal engaged in political activity² as defined below?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, identify each such foreign principal and describe in full detail all such political activity, indicating, among other things, the relations, interests and policies sought to be influenced and the means employed to achieve this purpose. If the registrant arranged, sponsored or delivered speeches, lectures or radio and TV broadcasts, give details as to dates, places of delivery, names of speakers and subject matter.

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13. In addition to the above described activities, if any, have you engaged in activity on your own behalf which benefits any or all of your foreign principals?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, describe fully.

² The term "political activities" means the dissemination of political propaganda and any other activity which the person engaging therein believes will, or which he intends to, prevail upon, indoctrinate, convert, induce, persuade, or in any other way influence any agency or official of the Government of the United States or any section of the public within the United States with reference to formulating, adopting, or changing the domestic or foreign policies of the United States or with reference to the political or public interests, policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party.

IV - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

14. (a) RECEIPTS - MONIES

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received from any foreign principal named in Items 8, 9 and 10 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal, any contributions, income or money either as compensation or otherwise?

Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies.³

<i>Date</i>	<i>From Whom</i>	<i>Purpose</i>	<i>Amount</i>
The Belgian National Tourist Office draws against an amount allotted annually for advertising, publicity, salaries, etc., (for 1977: \$792,785.00). The following expenditures were made for this period and debited to the Commissariat Général au Tourisme, Brussels, Belgium, as of the following dates:			

<u>1977</u>	Jan 1	\$ 45,453.09
	Feb 1	18,512.00
	Mar 1	53,845.26
	Apr 1	138,450.20
	May 1	98,503.93
	Jun 1	64,447.94

\$419,212.42

Total

14. (b) RECEIPTS - THINGS OF VALUE

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received any thing of value⁴ other than money from any foreign principal named in Items 8, 9 and 10 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

<i>Name of foreign principal</i>	<i>Date received</i>	<i>Description of thing of value</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
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³ A registrant is required to file an Exhibit D if he collects or receives contributions, loans, money, or other things of value for a foreign principal, as part of a fund raising campaign. See Rule 201(c).

⁴ Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks," and the like.

15. (a) DISBURSEMENTS - MONIES

During this 6 month reporting period, have you

(1) disbursed or expended monies in connection with activity on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 8, 9 and 10 of this statement? Yes ☒ No ☐

(2) transmitted monies to any such foreign principal? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies, including monies transmitted, if any, to each foreign principal.

- | Date | To Whom | Purpose | Amount |
|--|---------|---------|--------|
| 1. Expenditures are operated solely by the Belgian National Tourist Office, which is staffed by Mr. P. A. De Maerel, Director/U.S.A.; Mrs. F. Raeymaekers, Assistant Director; Mrs. M. Koenig, Administrative Assistant; and Miss A. Neville, Publicity Assistant, whose salaries are paid by the Commissariat Général au Tourisme (Belgian National Tourist Office) Brussels, Belgium. | | | |
| 2. Our advertising agency, Donald N. Martin and Company, 488 Madison Avenue, New York, N. Y. (also known as Travel News Service, Inc.) prepares and places advertising in consumer and trade publications and directs the sales promotion program for the "Belgium's Bonus Days" travel incentive plan. During this period, payments to them were approximately \$278,313, as per copies of invoices herewith (Enclosure A). | | | |
| 3. Bulletins are mailed and printed matter is distributed by a direct mail service, the Boffer Corporation, 111 Eighth Avenue, New York, N. Y. 10011. During this period, payments to them were about \$49,160, as per copies of invoices herewith (Enclosure B). | | | |

In round figures, other expenditures for this period were approximately as follows:

Membership in travel trade organizations	\$ 510
Purchase and printing of publicity material	1,300
Public Relations expenses (entertainment of persons in the travel, tours and affiliated business)	39,200
Travel and transportation	4,200
Customs handling, transportation of publicity material	4,150
Stationery, office supplies	1,600
Office expenses (including translations, secretarial assistance, etc.)	28,500
Subscriptions	515
Item 2 of 15(a) above	278,313
Item 3 of 15(a) above	49,160

\$ 407,448.

Total

15. (b) DISBURSEMENTS - THINGS OF VALUE

During this 6 month reporting period, have you disposed of anything of value⁵ other than money in furtherance of or in connection with activities on behalf of any foreign principal named in items 8, 9 and 10 of this statement?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

<i>Date disposed</i>	<i>Name of person to whom given</i>	<i>On behalf of what foreign principal</i>	<i>Description of thing of value</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
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(c) DISBURSEMENTS - POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS

During this 6 month reporting period, have you from your own funds and on your own behalf either directly or through any other person, made any contributions of money or other things of value⁵ in connection with an election to any political office, or in connection with any primary election, convention, or caucus held to select candidates for political office? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Amount or thing of value</i>	<i>Name of political organization</i>	<i>Name of candidate</i>
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V - POLITICAL PROPAGANDA

(Section 1(j) of the Act defines "political propaganda" as including any oral, visual, graphic, written, pictorial, or other communication or expression by any person (1) which is reasonably adapted to, or which the person disseminating the same believes will, or which he intends to, prevail upon, indoctrinate, convert induce, or in any other way influence a recipient or any section of the public within the United States with reference to the political or public interests, policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party or with reference to the foreign policies of the United States or promote in the United States racial, religious, or social dissensions, or (2) which advocates, advises, instigates, or promotes any racial, social, political, or religious disorder, civil riot, or other conflict involving the use of force or violence in any other American republic or the overthrow of any government or political subdivision of any other American republic by any means involving the use of force or violence.)

16. During this 6 month reporting period, did you prepare, disseminate or cause to be disseminated any political propaganda as defined above? Yes ☐ No ☒

IF YES, RESPOND TO THE REMAINING ITEMS IN THIS SECTION V.

17. Identify each such foreign principal.

⁵ Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks," and the like.

18. During this 6 month reporting period, has any foreign principal established a budget or allocated a specified sum of money to finance your activities in preparing or disseminating political propaganda?
Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, identify each such foreign principal, specify amount, and indicate for what period of time.

19. During this 6 month reporting period, did your activities in preparing, disseminating or causing the dissemination of political propaganda include the use of any of the following: **no such activities**

☐ Radio or TV broadcasts ☐ Magazine or newspaper articles ☐ Motion picture films ☐ Letters or telegrams
☐ Advertising campaigns ☐ Press releases ☐ Pamphlets or other publications ☐ Lectures or speeches

☐ Other (specify) _____

20. During this 6 month reporting period, did you disseminate or cause to be disseminated political propaganda among any of the following groups: **No**

☐ Public Officials ☐ Newspapers ☐ Libraries
☐ Legislators ☐ Editors ☐ Educational institutions
☐ Government agencies ☐ Civic groups or associations ☐ Nationality groups

☐ Other (Specify) _____

21. What language was used in this political propaganda:

☐ English

☐ Other (specify) _____

22. Did you file with the Registration Section, Department of Justice, two copies of each item of political propaganda material disseminated or caused to be disseminated during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes ☐ No ☐ **No such items**

23. Did you label each item of such political propaganda material with the statement required by Section 4(b) of the Act? Yes ☐ No ☐ **No such items**

24. Did you file with the Registration Section, Department of Justice, a Dissemination Report for each item of such political propaganda material as required by Rule 401 under the Act?

Yes ☐ No ☐ **No such items**

VI - EXHIBITS AND ATTACHMENTS

Samples of items listed under No. 11 of this Statement are being sent to you under separate cover

25. EXHIBITS A AND B

- (a) Have you filed for each of the newly acquired foreign principals in Item 9 the following: **none**

Exhibit A⁶ Yes ☐ No ☐

Exhibit B⁷ Yes ☐ No ☐

If no, please attach the required exhibit.

- (a) Have there been any changes in the Exhibits A and B previously filed for any foreign principal whom you represented during this six month period? **none**

Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, have you filed an amendment to these exhibits? Yes ☐ No ☐

If no, please attach the required amendment.

⁶ The Exhibit A, which is filed on Form OBD-67 (Formerly DJ-306) sets forth the information required to be disclosed concerning each foreign principal.

⁷ The Exhibit B, which is filed on Form OBD-65 (Formerly DJ-304) sets forth the information concerning the agreement or understanding between the registrant and the foreign principal.

26. EXHIBIT C

If you have previously filed an Exhibit C⁸, state whether any changes therein have occurred during this 6 month reporting period.

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, have you filed an amendment to the Exhibit C? Yes ☐ No ☐

If no, please attach the required amendment.

27. SHORT FORM REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Have short form registration statements, been filed by all of the persons named in Items 5 and 7 of the supplemental statement?

Yes ☒ No ☐

If no, list names of persons who have not filed the required statement.

The undersigned swear(s) or affirm(s) that he has (they have) read the information set forth in this registration statement and the attached exhibits and that he is (they are) familiar with the contents thereof and that such contents are in their entirety true and accurate to the best of his (their) knowledge and belief, except that the undersigned make(s) no representation as to the truth or accuracy of the information contained in attached Short Form Registration Statement, if any, insofar as such information is not within his (their) his (their) personal knowledge.

(Type or print name under each signature)

(Both copies of this statement shall be signed and sworn to before a notary public or other person authorized to administer oaths by the agent, if the registrant is an individual, or by a majority of those partners, officers, directors or persons performing similar functions who are in the United States, if the registrant is an organization.)


Peter A. De Maerel
Director/U.S.A.

Subscribed and sworn to before me at New York, New York

this 15th day of July, 19 77

STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF NEW YORK
CITY OF NEW YORK

Sworn To Before Me
This 15th Day of July, 19 77


(Signature of notary or other officer)

MARION KOENIG
NOTARY PUBLIC, State of New York

⁸ The Exhibit C, for which no printed form is provided, consists of a true copy of the charter, articles of incorporation, association, constitution, and bylaws of a registrant that is an organization. (A waiver of the requirement to file an Exhibit C may be obtained for good cause shown upon written application to the Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Internal Security Section, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530.)



Belgian National Tourist Office

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Attachment #1

Items listed under: II - Activities (11)
of the Supplemental Statement
are distributed to some or all of the following, depending on
quantities available and on the categories for which the various
items would be of greatest interest.

Distribution: Mailing lists of names in the United States

Important U. S. Travel Editors	273
Travel Trade	51
Travel Editors of General Magazines	97
Columnists	27
Radio & TV Commentators	8
Important Women Editors	113
Freelance Writers	47
American firms doing business in Belgium	540
Belgian Colony	310
Belgian Embassy & Consulates	90
Conventions International	97
European Railroads	11
European Travel Commission	25
Museums	239
General Public Relations	203
Libraries	237
Schools	133
Rotary Club	301
Womens Passenger Traffic Association	41
Travel Agents	6,164
Tourist Offices	34
European Consular Offices	24
United Nations Correspondents	168
Pan American Passenger Marketing Offices	280
Air Canada Passenger Marketing Offices	50



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Attachment #2

Items listed under:

III - Activities (11) of the Supplemental Statement

"News from Belgium" - Bulletins - (BNTD) A/77, B/77, C/77
1/77 - 12/77
(BBD) 1/77 - 2/77

Brochures

Mons	100
Liège	1,800
Calendar of Touristic Events 1977	10,000
Budget Holidays 1977	4,200
Brussels Conventions	400
Rubens	550
P.P. Rubens	3,600
Camping 1977	5,000
Hotels 1977 - Ardennes	675
Les Ardennes Belges	6,000
East Flanders	1,500
Belgium Festivals and Folklore	12,000
Hotels 1977	19,000
Hotels 1977 - West Flanders	1,250
Belgium - Historic Cities	12,000
Visit Friendly Belgium 1977	1,750

Posters

International Rubens Year	2,000
Rubens as an illustrator of books	375
P. P. Rubens	745



Attachment #3

III - Activities (11)
of the Supplemental Statement

Belgium was represented at the following events

- | | |
|----------------------|---|
| Jan. 20 | Foreign Facts Seminar - New York Sheraton |
| Jan. 24 to
Feb. 4 | European Travel Commission's West Coast
Supermart '77: <ul style="list-style-type: none">-San Diego, Sheraton Harbor Island Hotel-Los Angeles, The Ambassador Hotel-Anaheim, Grand Hotel-N. Hollywood, Sheraton-Universal Hotel-San Francisco, Sheraton-Palace Hotel |
| Feb. 6 | Amityville Historic Society - Presentation |
| Mar. 8 | Sabena/East Coast Seminar, Rye, N. Y. - Presentation |
| Mar. 23 | Sabena/South & Midwest, Seminar, New Orleans -
Presentation |
| Apr. 21 | Sabena/N.Y. District Seminar, Barbizon Plaza, New York
Presentation |
| May 4 | Launching of the 1977 Belgium's Bonus Days Program <ul style="list-style-type: none">-Press Luncheon-Reception for Press and Travel Agents
Regency Hotel, New York |
| May 27 | Sabena/Boston - Press Luncheon and Reception for
Travel Agents, Ritz Carlton Hotel, Boston -
Presentation |

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NOTICE

Please answer the following questions and return this sheet in triplicate with your supplemental statement:

1. Is your answer to Item 16 of Section V. (Political Propaganda - page 7 of Form OBD-64 - Supplemental Statement):

Yes _____ or No X

(If your answer to question 1 is "yes" do not answer question 2 of this form.)

2. Do you disseminate any material in connection with your _____

Yes X or No _____

(If your answer to question 2 is "yes" please forward for our review copies of all such material including: films, film catalogs, posters, brochures, press releases, etc. which you have disseminated during the past six months.)

P. A. De Maerel
Signature

July 17, 1977
Date

Peter A. De Maerel
Please type or print name of
signatory on the line above

Director/U.S.A.
Title
Belgian National Tourist Office